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9 December 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions

General Statement

In accordance with the basic [REDACTED] project dated 7 June 1954, and as set forth in a memorandum, Subject, [REDACTED] Field Component," dated 10 November 1954, a field component is to be established in the [REDACTED] under the command and control of the Senior Representative [REDACTED]

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References: [REDACTED] PARTICHOKE

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Mission

B/B The [REDACTED] Field Component, hereinafter referred to as [REDACTED] will conduct the field research and operational program within the overall scope of [REDACTED]

Objectives

1. To contribute towards the analysis and evaluation of the technique known as "brainwashing" in order to develop countermeasures to enable individuals to resist its effects, and to sustain motivation in the face of stress and subtle influences.
2. To establish a coordinated program in the field designed to effect maximum utilization of knowledge and assets in carrying out specific clandestine operations facilitated through the application of certain known psychiatric and psychological techniques, methods and skills as supplied by headquarters.
3. To contribute towards the study of individual mores, customs, values, social structure and motivation factors peculiar to cultural, national, social, geographic and occupational groups in the [REDACTED]
4. To aid in the selection and processing of agent personnel within the scope and capabilities of [REDACTED]

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5. To effect maximum exploitation of existing [REDACTED] F
operations and assets in order to select agent personnel and
facilitate the mounting of specific operations.

6. To wittingly or unwittingly precondition selected agent
personnel to accept clandestine missions by utilizing available
scientific methods and techniques.

7. To induce selected agent personnel to perform acts of a
complex, purposeful nature, the effects of which may be out of
keeping with the individual's previous behavior; dangerous to
his being; contrary to any previous consciously expressed
intentions and interests; contrary to the good of the individual
and subversive to the goals for which they are allegedly working.

8. To build into agent personnel a durable motivation which
will resist hostile interrogations and political indoctrination,
and sustain him over a long period of time against the environmental
stresses and subtle influences affecting his mission.

9. To provide for the training and indoctrination of [REDACTED] B/3
staff officers so that they become professionally competent to
process and handle agent personnel exposed to these techniques.

10. To establish the necessary procedures, and the mechanisms
for effecting the above objectives.

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1. To establish in the [REDACTED] a component responsible F
for coordination, support and guidance to [REDACTED] elements con- B/3
cerned with carrying out specific operations within the scope of

2. To continually review existing [REDACTED] assets and F B/3
operations that can be utilized in support of [REDACTED] activities.

3. To act as a field-data gathering team for [REDACTED] B/3
especially in the collection of material pertinent to methods and
skills relevant to agent motivation and management, interrogation
and debriefing of agents and information regarding methods and
skills employed by other security forces.

4. To test and develop certain methods and techniques under
the direction of Headquarters.

5. To conduct limited basic research in support of operations
in the [REDACTED] F

6. To provide appropriate support for specific clandestine operations as requested within the capabilities of [REDACTED] B/3

7. To plan, implement and mount any field demonstrations and/or exercises in addition to the basic operational program as designated by Headquarters.

8. To offer operational support, on a priority basis determined by Headquarters, to all [REDACTED] missions and stations in the [REDACTED] in the handling of specific cases utilizing ARTICHOKÉ methods and techniques. The ARTICHOKÉ responsibility continues to reside in the [REDACTED] and ARTICHOKÉ reports will be rendered according to procedure already established within the Office of Security. [REDACTED] B/3 F G

9. To act as an advisory body to the office of the [REDACTED] re [REDACTED] and ARTICHOKÉ matters. B/3 G

Responsibilities

[REDACTED] will carry out field operations and activities in accordance with instructions and directions as to techniques and methods prescribed by Headquarters, Washington, with full allowances for problems arising in the field and with sufficient latitude given to permit a flexible and efficient approach. B/3

[REDACTED] will, for all administrative matters and for operational control, be attached to the office of the Senior Representative, [REDACTED] and will be directly responsible to the Senior Representative. G B/3

Operational work and/or research will be carried out in coordination with the appropriate Chief of Mission, his Deputy, or otherwise designated responsible officer. All Chiefs of Mission will actively assist [REDACTED] in carrying out its assigned objectives and tasks. B/3

There will be occasions for liaison and coordination with missions and/or stations in the [REDACTED] outside the Geographic Area of [REDACTED]. Headquarters concurrence will be obtained in this respect. F

It will be the responsibility of the Office of the Senior Representative [REDACTED] to arrange for office and operating areas for [REDACTED]. Also, the [REDACTED] will designate the [REDACTED] personnel who are to be briefed on a "need-to-know" basis in respect [REDACTED] G B/3

Line of Command

B/3 [REDACTED] will be under the command and control of the [REDACTED] G

Policy, appropriate requirements, and support will be furnished from Headquarters through the Chief, [REDACTED] G

Personnel

B/3 The following personnel will be employed within the scope of [REDACTED] and attached to the Office of the [REDACTED] G

1. Operations Officer (H.D.)
2. Operations Officer (FH.D.)
3. Operations Officer
4. Administrative Assistant
5. Secretary/Stenographer

The field component will consist of [REDACTED] who will be in charge, and other members who are now in the process of selection. In addition, Headquarters will have occasion to send to the field on TDY certain Headquarters staff personnel and/or civilian consultants to work jointly with [REDACTED] on [REDACTED] problems and research. A

B/3 In addition to those personnel listed above, certain staff officers will be concerned with this project in the field. Whenever indicated, staff officers will be utilized on a "loan basis" from the appropriate mission or station on activities conducted within the respective missions and/or stations.

Prior to the employment of any personnel, including cover and contract personnel, operational or security clearance as well as prior approval will be obtained from Headquarters.

Finance

B/3 It is directed that for the remainder of the fiscal year 1955 [REDACTED] be supported by special developmental funds in the field from those available to the Office of [REDACTED] and/or Chiefs of Mission in the [REDACTED] not to exceed the overall total amount of \$25,000. F

G Any single expenditure up to \$2,000 can be authorized by the [REDACTED] or the appropriate Chief of Mission. Other total expenditures in excess of \$2,000 must have prior approval of Headquarters.

Direct allocation of funds will be appropriated for fiscal year 1956 contingent upon budgetary estimates to be submitted.

Travel, entertainment and incidental expenditures will be obligated against available station funds of the Office of the

Contact and Communication

All communications related to this project and its activities will carry the sensitive indicator [redacted] limiting distribution on a strict need-to-know basis. Available [redacted] facilities through normal command channels will be utilized for communications.

Equipment and Support

There will be a definite need within the scope of [redacted] activities for certain scientific laboratory equipment. In addition, office material, including safes, desks, typewriters and stationery will also be required. Support will be rendered through the normal channels of support to the Office of the [redacted] and appropriate channels in regard to specific missions and/or stations. Special technical equipment (electronic, mechanical, photographic) will be supplied from available TCS and Security stocks in the field. Specific items of necessary equipment unavailable in the field will be furnished by Headquarters through proper channels.

Security

All [redacted] personnel and/or agents will have the necessary and appropriate security clearances. Appropriate cover will be devised "to fit the situation" according to circumstances as they arise.

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